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LITERARY

An Unexpected Merry Xmas

It was the day before Christmas, the wind was blowing and the snow was falling thick and fast. Young Mr. Andrews came from his office into the street and was delighted to see the snow, for he said to himself: "This will make fine weather for hunting. I hate Christmas and I shall just go home, pack my suit case, take a gun, and have a little hunting excursion over the holidays."

He was so absorbed in these plans that he could not rest until they were carried out.

About an hour had elapsed when he hailed a cab man: "Take me to the depot in time to catch the two-thirteen," and they were off. On arriving at the depot the driver opened the door to let his passenger out, saying, "Merry Christmas to you, sir." The indignant man did not return the salute, merely saying, "If you wait a minute I'll pay you, and you may keep the change."

The porter carried his baggage into the train. At every station crowds of jolly people would get off and wish those left a "Merry Christmas." This made the hater of Christmas very nervous. He tried to rest, but could not. When he was seated at supper, he called a waiter to him and laying fifty cents on the table, said in an ugly tone, "Take this, and do not let me hear one word of Christmas out of you." The man, pocketing the money, brought Mr. Andrews his order. After supper the gentleman smoked a cigar and retired.

Christmas morning was a sad, snowy, gray day, which nevertheless pleased the prospective hunter.

After breakfast a rather pretty young lady had just taken the seat beside him, when the conductor came to the door and announced that the train was stalled, and that men had been sent ahead for help. On hearing this, the young lady directly introduced herself as Miss Carey, adding, "I think it is a perfect shame to have these little children spend such a wretched Christmas up here in the wilderness. Will you help me distribute the toys I have? I bought them for my nephews but I can get more for them."

The fugitive from Christmas replied: "Why, didn't you know I came up here to get away from Christmas celebrations?"

The young girl looked rather embarassed: "Why, excuse me, I did not mean to intrude." She started off, but was checked by the absolute change in Mr. Andrew's voice, as he explained: "I did not mean from this particular celebration."

The girl's eyes shone with joy, as she asked, "Then will you get the names of all the children and bring them to me?"

This was done at once. While she was fixing the names on the presents he put on his coat, and borrowing an axe from the emergency box left the car, soon returning from the woods with a small fir tree. This was speedily trimmed, and the sudden convert to Christmas was soon Santa Claus, distributing the toys to the delighted children.

The celebration was nicely over, when the conductor called out in a loud voice: "The plow has made the track clear."

When they were on their way again, the young man said to Miss Carey: "This is the most delightful Christmas I have ever spent and I can thank you for it."

"Thank you," was the answer, "I am glad to be able to give a little pleasure on Christmas day."

MILDRED BASOM, '14.

Santa's Salvation

It was the night before Christmas! Pushing through the throng of merry people in a large department store, Santa began to search for a suitable gift to give a pampered child, a millionaire's son. He was troubled—and, indeed, he had reason to be, for this child had had every gift imagination could devise, skill could manufacture, or money buy.

What was to be done? He had had jewels, toys, books, tools and vehicles—Do you wonder that Santa went from one floor to another?

At length a clerk exclaimed, I've found it—I'm sure this is just what he wants."

"Oh, no! my dear, his mother has hardly forgiven me, as it is. He had one of those mice last Christmas and the first thing he did was to let it run over her foot. It frightened her so, she went into hysterics. That, I'm sure, wouldn't do—, and, as for these automobiles—, Yes, he has one of them, too."

"And this air ship?"

"Oh, mercy! the boy almost killed himself with one of those. It would have saved me a good deal of trouble, I'm thinking, if——, but I'll just try the next floor."

So good old Santa tried with the same result on the next floor, often pushing against other shoppers, whose frowns were changed to smiles upon recognizing the familiar face, for they, too, were having their difficulties.

"Wanted at the telephone, Santa," cried a messenger boy.

"Well' well! I wonder———Hello,——— Street?——a crash? Who?——You don't mean to say so————yes————I've just been looking for a present for him———I'm very sorry, but I'll surely find something for him now———Goodbye.

All of Santa's shopping for millionaires was complete. He was no longer looking for the richest gift, but even now—what would he get that was entirely new and still not so cheap that the boy would be disappointed?

He thought and thought, and, at last, with a self-satisfied nod, smiled and hurried away.

The next morning our Jimmie, now ex-millionaire's son, on diving into a generous stocking held up a pound of creamery butter, three hen's eggs, and an order for a bushel of coal, exclaimed in great glee, "Oh, Papa, cheer up! we are not so very poor, after all."

MARIAN VOORHEES, '15.

Under the Chestnut Tree

"Uncle," said a girl to her companion, as they stood in their garden, a very small one, since their house was near a large city, "why do you gaze at our grand old chestnut tree with that far-away look? You seem almost ready to cry. Does it make you sad?"

"Yes Mary, whenever I look at the old chestnut, my heart overflows, and the tears rush to my eyes; for it brings back to me the times when I was young, and, more than that, happy. But, child, the wish for riches has ruined my happiness. When I was young, I lived in the West, and grew up there, the pure air and rough life of the plains, making a man of me. I used to ride away from home to the roundup, and weeks would roll away before I returned. Then, back at the home I had longed for, sitting under the big chestnut tree, I would hold my gentle sisters spellbound with tales of the wild roundup. And when I came to the city, I bought this house in the suburbs, so that, after my work was over, I could rest without being tortured by the noise of the sleepless city. And I set out this tree, to remind me of the freedom I once enjoyed. Oh, Mary! I long for the fresh air and the free life of the plains; and I sometimes wonder if my heart is not buried in Texas, down by the Rio Grande."

HAZEN KING, '16.

The Last Day of School

My nervousness started about two weeks before school started. The cause of my distress was as follows: I was afraid that I would get lost. This may sound absurd, but nevertheless it was so. If you have ever penetrated the dark recesses of a cave you have experienced the same sensation I did, when I was left stranded in the Ypsi High. I wandered around, and a great sense of gloom pervaded my nature. At last I met an acquaintance. Our friendship had been nothing especially remarkable, but the manner in which I now greeted him was second only to that of an explorer. He directed me to the room in which I was to sit. My session room teacher was Miss Thomas. The morning was occupied in classification and in going to classes which lasted for about ten minutes. I was so impressed by the majestic demeanor of the teachers, that it was a long time before I could be at ease and thoroughly enjoy myself in classes. But to return to that fateful day. We were given maps of the hall in which we were to navigate. But as we had no compass, stars, trees or other things, my expectation was fulfilled, I was lost. I hope I may never experience any similar sensation again. To make a mistake and enter Miss Hardy's room instead of Miss Roberts' was anything but exhilerating. I also remember wishing to express myself in a manner not in accordance with the rules regarding the proper use of grammar stated in the Brooks and Hubbard composition. However, I suppressed my wishes. At least I hope I did.

But all things come to an end. And now those happy days are over. But on looking back, the thing that most impressed me, was the lack of sense in some of the rules, especially deportment. Scientists have been working on this problem for ages, but as yet I believe, no solution has been arrived at, even in this enlightened period. Its personal application is this: When I was so awestruck by the majestic personalities of the teachers, I made the vow, like Sir Launfal, that I would be avenged on them. I have always kept my vow—That is my trouble.

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Editorials

This month brings the close of the football season. We must leave the gridiron, and reluctantly we do so, for we have enjoyed many happy days there. The pigskin must be shoved aside to make room for winter sports.

We have not only enjoyed the season but a great many have been benefitted by it. At least we have shown that Y. H. S. is not as dead as she looks. And now that we have made such a good showing in football let us continue with the rest of the sports of the year.

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This is Yule Tide. When we come back to school again another year will have completed its course. How fast time flies and still how it drags. One year hence some of us will be gone from this high school forever. How we dread that time when we must leave dear old Y. H. S. but everything must have an end.

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How many students in Y. H. S. are satisfied with the work they are doing? Probably most of us are. But still some of us are sliding over our work with as little study as possible. If you are doing this you had better stop right now. There are only a few more weeks left in this semester and a little conscientious study now may save a lot of "grinding" then.

Of course you can slide along, bluff the teacher and possibly graduate, but, what good have you received? You say you have your credits. That does not mean you have an education. Remember you are not getting these lessons for your teacher's sake. It is for your own benefit. You are building the foundation for your own success. So let us study a little more and remember nothing worth while can be obtained without work.

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Our exchanges this year have been very interesting. "The Ocksheperida," Sheridan, Wyoming, your paper is especially good this month. We are all interested to know who wrote the first story. "Lake Breeze," Sheboygan, Wisconsin, is an interesting paper and we are very glad to receive it. "The Megaphone," Davenport, Washington, has many very good jokes. The Junior number of the "Tatler," Marquette, Mich., is an excellent number, but we were sorry not to see more jokes. The "Clarion," Salem, Oregon, we are very glad to have on our exchange list. We are always glad to receive the "X Rays," "Albion College Pleiad," "Collegias," "Booster," and "College Chronicle."

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The youth who was smoking a cigarette opposite the monkey's cage took another from his pocket. "Would it do any harm," he asked, "if I offered him one of these?" "Not a bit," responded the attendant, "he wouldn't touch it. A monkey isn't half as big a fool as he looks."

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A Horrible Example

"Willie," said the mother sorrowfully, 'every time you are naughty I get another gray hair."

"Gee!" said Willie; "you must have been a terror. Look at Grandpa."

Alumni Notes

Miss Hazel Olds is teaching in the public schools of Hartford, Mich.

Harry Smith of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, visited in Ypsilanti this summer. Mr. Smith is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith of Jurett, Ohio. The family once lived here. Mr. Smith after graduating from the Y. H. S. attended the U. of M. He is now traveling for a large southern drug house.

Miss Laura Cowell is teaching in the Jackson high school this year.

Robert W. Ward, who is superintendent of the Ada public schools, writes:

"I am enjoying the work here very much. The school is a small one as is also our town. We have thirty enrolled in the high school and seventy-five in the grades. I teach seven classes each day and am trying to do some work with the literary society, debating team, etc. Our literary society is run wholly by the students and meets every two weeks. We always have good programs and the prospects for debating and oratory are fine. Here's hoping that our little school may trim a few of the larger ones around here."

Lawrence James, '12, Civil Engineer, U. of M., is employed as chemist in the E. M. F. laboratories, Detroit.

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Arbaugh, Miss Mabel L. Cox writes:

"I feel lost and at sea in the bigness of the school system of Seattle, and the amount of work to be done. There are about 1000 teachers, 80 schools, and about 26,000 children. I am located in a fine new building of 18 teachers. We have medical inspection, each school month, manual training, domestic science, supervisors of art, music, penmanship, besides supervisors of general primary work, grammar grade work, etc. I have the fourth grade. In this part of the city there are Norwegians, Swedes and Finns. In some sections there are Japs and Chinese, as well as Turks, Persians, and Italians. There are at present few (comparatively) kindergartens in Seattle, but a change is gradually taking place.

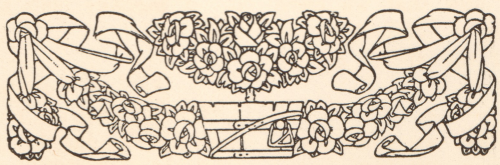
"Seattle is built on hills. At night the lights of the city on the slopes make a picturesque sight. On clear days a splendid view of Mt. Rainier and the outline of the Cascades is obtained from our porch. One block west, the Sound is almost at our feet, and beyond, the Olympic Mts. To the south of us is Lake Washington Ship Canal. There is great breadth of view all over Seattle and it is very much spread out. There are play fields where the children enjoy swings, ladders, sand piles, tennis, etc."

Mabel, her mother, and sister, Margaret, have purchased a home in Seattle, and often talk over Ypsi news, and watch with interest the progress of their Ypsi High School. It holds a warm place in their hearts. All three ladies are interested in equal suffrage and voted at the primaries last September.

Harris Fletcher is teaching science and mathematics in the Wyandotte high school this year.

Miss Blye Quigley attended the Assembly summer school, for work in physical culture, at Chautauqua, N. Y.

Dr. Harry I. VanTuyl of Chicago, Y. H. S., '89, has been appointed Professor of Anatomy at Northwestern University Dental School, with full charge of the department.



Athletics

HILLSDALE VS. Y. H. S.

On Saturday, the 23rd of November, the football team from Y. H. S. traveled to Hillsdale, via the Huckleberry, to play the last away from home game with Hillsdale High School. The journey was without incident or accident, except to one poor little skunk who got on the tracks of the choo-choo, and whose death was mourned (?) loudly by the bunch riding on the rear platform, and except to A. Richards who in the last few seconds of play was run into by the hefty fullback of Hillsdale High and who was flattened out almost as quickly as—as—as the little quadruped was.

The game was called at 2:00 p. m. and a good crowd was on hand to see the battle. Had a better referee, or one at least more familiar with the new rules of the game, been in charge of the game Ypsilanti would have returned with a 14 to 7 victory.

The first quarter of the game was played hard and fast, the ball see-sawing back and forth over the middle of the field first in the hands of the Ypsi men, who received the kick-off, then in possession of H. H. S. All kinds of plays were tried by both teams, each trying to outwit the other in the first period of the game. But it was in the second quarter after having made several excellent end runs and a pretty forward pass that the Hillsdale men got within striking distance of the goal and rushed one over straight through the line. But then, lines can not always hold, not such masses of flesh as are turned out over at Hillsdale.

At this stage of the game the whistle stopped the play for the first half, and Hillsdale, having kicked the goal, the score stood exactly as it did in the second game of the season, against the Detroit Central Freshmen. Again, as in that previous game, the men from Ypsi braced up and in the third quarter placed the ball on Hillsdale's nine-yard line in but a few minutes of play. The next play, a fake taught to the Ypsi lads by S. B. Crouse, led the Hillsdale line offside and they were penalized, thus placing the ball on their 4¾-yard line. Since the down before the penalization had been the third, with only four yards to go, the penalty made this next down the first down, but another awful blunder by the referee made this the fourth down and when McRay tried to advance the ball he was downed just as he got up to the line of scrimmage while the referee gave the ball to Hillsdale. Again in this same quarter Richards received a forward pass on Hillsdale's thirty-five-yard line and galloped for a touchdown but the referee again protested and another touchdown was lost.

Yet it was in the fourth quarter that Ypsi did her real work. Hillsdale had the ball in the middle of the field when a man in trying to go around Ypsi's right end was tackled by "Demon" Vorhees so hard that he could not hold the ball. The next minute Bellows used his pedal extremities very well, for an excellent cause, and promptly sprung upon that ball and hid it.

Then began that march straight toward Hillsdale's goal and after a long run by Richards, McRay went around the same end for a touchdown. Final score was 7 to 7, McRay kicking goal.

CLEARY COLLEGE VS. Y. H. S.

The Thanksgiving Day game in Ypsilanti was staged by the teams from C. B. C. and Y. H. S. The game was snappy and well

played, especially so for two teams who had been scrimmaging each other all through the season and who knew each others style of play to perfection.

The week before the game the High team practised on the Normal gridiron, and under the coaching of S. B. Crouse got some pretty plays worked out that helped wonderfully to bring the heavy Cleary team to a tied score.

The Cleary team played under a handicap all through the season. The men were all new on the team and had never had an opportunity to work together before, yet under Bob Kilian's tutelage they developed a strong team but got heavy experience from U. of D. and Assumption against whom they were pitted. Having lost every game so far this season, they were resolved to get one victory, and that on Thanksgiving Day.

But they argued without the Ypsi men, for when the game was half over the expectedly large score in favor of C. B. C. was quite absent, but one tally being put over by the Cleary mob and the trial for goal being missed.

In the third quarter the Ypsi High bunch began to wake up. Richards camped out and received a pretty forward pass from McRay and went for about thirty-five wards before he was downed. This was the play that won the game for Ypsi, for when the Cleary secondary defense men would stay way back and out, for a long end run or pass, Proctor would call one of his galloping backs through the line and ten more yords would be gained. Then when the secondary men would play in close one of the halves would slide around one of the ends and being afforded excellent interference, would almost invariably cover ten yards before he was stopped.

It was in the last quarter that Richards put over the touchdown but in trying for the goal something surely happened for the ball went wild and the one point that would have ended such an awful season for C. B. C. was lost and the game ended a tie—6 to 6.

BOWLING

Friday, December 6th, 1912, the teams representing the Junior and Senior classes got together at Campbell's "Pin Emporium" and rolled the balls down the alleys for the "High School Interclass Bowling Title."

The Juniors were represented by J. Bassett, W. Proctor, Richards, Seymour, Gardener, Robinson, Leveritt and Thayer. The Seniors tumbled the pins under the names of Campbell, Lewis, Minor, MacGregor, Gaudy.

Bassett, Proctor, Seymour, Robinson and Thayer started the game for the Juniors but Thayer and Seymour dropped out in the second game and their places were taken by Leveritt and Richards, while in the third game Gardener took Richards' place.

Juniors

Bassett	121	187	173
Proctor	128	166	108
Richards		86	
Seymour	121		
Gardener			131
Robinson	117	137	108
Thayer	200		
Leverett		143	149
Totals	687	719	669

Grand Total, 2075.

Seniors

Campbell	144	177	157
Lewis	116	163	160
Minor	129	177	172
MacGregor	185	132	168
Gaudy	159	134	158
Totals	733	783	815

Grand Total, 2331.

256 Pins for Seniors.

FRESHMEN VS. SOPHOMORES

Tuesday, December 10th, 1912, the Freshmen and Sophomore teams met at Campbell's and started their regular clash for class honors. The Freshman class was represented by Wilber, Stein, Eddy, Platt and Lyman. Against this bunch Reader, Lawrence, Briggs, McCauley and Stevens rolled.

In the first game the Sophomores cleaned the Freshies by a score of 762 to 683. Lyman got the high score, for the Freshies, tumbling 161 pins, while Reader came in ahead in the Sophomore camp with 188.

The second game was taken by the Sophs at the rate of 698 to 644. In this game Platt took first place for the Freshmen with 144 pins while Stevens rolled in ahead with 181 pins.

In the third game the Sophomores romped home far in the lead, the pins being 790 in the count of the 2nd men and 634 for the Greenies.

The total for the Freshmen was 1961 against 2250 for the Sophomores, the match being won by the Sophs by 289 pins. Stevens got the high

average of the match at 177.3 while Lyman rolled the high average for the Freshies with 138 counters. The total overage for the Sophs was 149.96 against 130.5 for the Freshmen.

Thursday, December 12th, the representative team of the former Gamma Beta met the former Estabrook bunch at Campbell's and started the balls rolling. Lewis, Proctor, MacGregor Beyer and Gaudy represented the one time Gamma Beta while Stevens, Leveritt, Reader, Gardener and Campbell rolled for the Estabrooks.

In the first game the Gammas rolled down 723 pins while the Estabrook men got 716. Lewis got 191 pins as high score of the game and Campbell rolled 176 pins for the high score of the Estabrooks.

The second game showed thirty pins on the Gamma Beta score over the Estabrooks, the result being 760 to 730. Gaudy rolled the high score in his aggregation, getting 176 counters, but Stevens won out over him for the high score of the game with 179.

In the third game the Estabrooks put it over their rivals to the tune of 781 to 769. In this game Lewis was the Gamma high man with 174 pins while Reader of the former Estabrooks came in with the high score, 193.

The total number of pins tumbled in the Gamma Beta camp was 2252 and the Estabrooks boaster 2227, failing to win by 26 pins. The high average was copped by Lewis with 1777.6. Average for Estabrooks was 148.44 against 150.12 for Gamma Beta.

School News

The Y. M. C. A. met Tuesday afternoon, the third of December and Mr. Van Dis, the State's Boys' Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., spoke first He said that in nearly every high school there are some boys who stand for the clean things and that he believed these boys should be leaders in the different activities of high school life. He asked such to be these leaders and to stand for the right things in the right way. After expressing a wish that this high school would become part of the High School Students' Movement in the Y. M. C. A., he threw the meeting open to discussion suggesting that the committee on constitutions, appointed at the last meeting look up the organization of these.

Then Mr. Whitmore spoke briefly about a movement in Boston, saying that it is regrettable that a majority of the schoolboys who need it most are not in such clubs. "Be democratic. I am interested in human beings, not machines, as boys become if they are left alone. You must be leaders. Let the people know you're here." Continuing he told of some things that boys are doing in other high schools. A motion to adjourn was then carried.

Mr. Whitmore of New York, a prominent speaker in Y. M. C. A. work, addressed the high school and eighth grade the first Tuesday afternoon for about forty-five minutes.

The students are planning to draw up a petition requesting that the devotional exercises, songs, and announcements be omitted from chapel meetings hereafter, in order that they may study without the constant distraction caused thereby.

The Sophomore reception, which began at seven o'clock on the twenty-second of November was a great success. Everybody had a fine time throughout the evening. The members of the faculty were the honored guests.

Thanks to the decorating committee, the front of the chapel and the rostum were beautified with banners, pennants, evergreen boughs and most effective of all, the large '15 of green and white electric lights hung high at the back of the platform. The evening was whiled away by various amusements. The whole company was divided into "families." Each person, upon receiving a slip of paper with a name written on it, had to look up his five relatives with the same surname. The family reunions were the cause of much merriment and, when all had found their "folks," each group was requested to perform some comedy act. The fortune teller's tent was always crowded and a large number found out what their past and present was going to be and what their future had been. Miss Cooper acted as fortune teller. Before the refreshments were served, a picture of the guests was taken on the platform.

Sherbet and wafers were served in Miss Rodgers' room and those, who did not get plenty, were the only ones to blame. While

members of the class and the honored guests were enjoying their dainties, Miss Horrigan related one of her thrilling bear stories. About ten o'clock the company broke up and there was one more addition to the pleasant memories of the class of 1915.

Henry Glover went to Kalamazoo Thanksgiving day, staying over Sunday.

Christmas will fall on the twenty-five of December this year.

The Freshmen held a meeting Thrusday, the fifth, and voted to get hockey caps of their colors. The next day they met again and chose a committee to change those colors. The committee chosen was Benjamin Eddy, Seward Horner, Margaret Brooks, Hazel Shuart, and Caroline Case.

Roland Mills has discontinued school and is working for the Michigan Central.

Frances Goetz visited school Monday afternoon, November twenty-fifth.

There will be no school, December twenty-fifth on account of Christmas.

The Philomathian Literary Society held their regular meeting, Thursday, December twelfth, in room F. There were only eight members present and it was decided to have an open meeting, January ninth, in the chapel at six-thirty and that all members respond to roll-call with a Christmas experience. A special program including refreshments will be given at that time.

Miss Horrigan is practising the sign language, in order to be able to give orders without exhausting her voice; and also to spare the sensitive feelings of those needing calling, or rather signalling, to order.

About twenty-five high school boys got together Saturday evening, November twenty-third, and, after meeting the three of the men who had returned from Hillsdale early in the evening, had a bonfire on the campus (?) in celebration of the tie. After using all the wood obtainable, they separated about eleven o'clock.

We have missed Louis Burke and Harold Killian as they have not yet made their fortnightly visit.

A study of German geography has been introduced into Miss Laird's classes.

The annual banquet will not be held until the latter part of January.

The Freshmen met in Room B, Friday the thirteenth, having forty present. They chose blue and white as class colors and decided to get hockey caps of these colors. The boys decided to get the big '16 in electric lights so that it could be used at the football banquet.

Several of the Junior boys have received complimentary season tickets entitling them to reserved seats in the Freshmen and Sophomore rooms.

The Y. M. C. A. met at 7 o'clock Thursday the fifth, in room A. Mr. Bellows, after stating that the constitutional committee had sent to Mr. Porter of New York for the constitution of the high school students club, but had not received it yet, gave a talk on the happenings during the trip to Grand Rapids and during the banquet that evening. Mr. Richards related the events of Saturday and Mr. Tefft then told of what they did Sunday, giving especial attention to the last meeting Sunday evening. He brought the message to the club, "Do what you are asked to do and do it the best you can; also, go out and get other members to enlarge the club." He stated that the conference cost $3,500, all paid except $300 which the Chamber of Commerce agreed to pay. Mr. Hull said that Ypsilanti was to be congratulated on the delegation of young men sent up from here. After summing up the conference, in a few words, he said: "Before you can have friends, which you all like to have, you have to be friend yourself."

This meeting was enjoyed by all. President Bellows, when at Grand Rapids, was nominated for secretary of the conference, but was defeated by the small majority of two, and Mr. McRay was on the Resolution Committee, so Ypsilanti was well represented.

Messrs. McRay, Richards, Bellows, Robinson, Boyce, Campbell, James and Tefft attended the Older Boys' State Conference at Grand Rapids, November twenty-ninth, thirtieth, and December first.

The Foot-ball banquet was given in the dining rooms of the Masonic Temple, Wednesday the eighteenth, and was attended by about seventy-five, all of whom had a splendid time, "even better than they expected." The football boys were the honored and honorable guests.

The decorations were red and green bunting, pennants, ferns, and the "class year" in electric lights of each class, one on each of the four walls. The program, consisting of toasts and music was as follows:

High School Football.....Miss Hardy
The Team .....Capt. McRay
On the Side Lines .....Lamar Kishlar
Our Heroes .....Gertrude Schultes

Hold That Line .....Jerome Sherzer
When the Whistle Bolws.....Edith Webb
The Last Down .....Orla Robinson
The Referee .....Mr. Quirk
Presenting of Y's.....Mr. Ross
Game's Over .....Toastmaster

The committees, who deserve congratulations on their successful labors, are the following: Tickets, Prof. Ross, Marie Dawson, Hazel Geer, Ellen Kishlar, Gertrude Schultes, Beryl Snidecor, Lawrence Brown, Stanton D'Ooge, Foster Fletcher, Harold Gaudy, Nat Hopkins, Lester Miller, and Russell Seymour; decorations, Miss Hary, Margaret Brooks, Helen Cook, Ellen Kishlar, Lillian Leeson, Jessie Miller, Nat Hopkins, Cyril Lewis, and Lymn Schaffer; program, Mr. Hull, Adelaide Cole, Freda Garrett, Ruth Matthews, Frank Davis, Harry Hubbard, and Lawrence Hurdley.

Remember to do your Xmas shopping early.

J O S H E S

Reader (translating)—Sein Herr bezog ein Lager.—"His men were full of lager."

——:o:——

Bob Thompson (translating at sight—"I don't know how to read this line."

Miss Laird—"Skip it."

Bob—"I don't know this word."

Miss Laird—"Go on."

Bob—"I don't know the next word either."

Miss Laird—"Skip it and go on."

Bob (translating at last)—"Nor do I know anything."

——:o:——

N. Hopkins (translating Cicero)—"As a strong horse which had won in the Olympic contest, having become an old man, dies."

——:o:——

Lamar Kishlar—"Say, what does this Latin mean, 'Pons asinorum?'"

Stanton D'OoOge—"Oh! that is the 'bridge of noses.' You should have studied Latin like me."

——:o:——

Bellows, (One of his poetical Latin translations.)—"When the nones of December return for thee, and on the meadows sport the festive rustics with the idle"—(Laughter stopped him)

——:o:——

Sewell Platt (in English I.)—"Country life abounds in helthful joy. One enjoys a plane life and pursues such plezures as are condusive to good helth."

——:o:——

Forrest Tefft, (in Zoology)—"The organs of digestion are the stomach, liver, spleen, and utensils; the heart is a conical shaped bay; the blood is purified in the lungs by inspired air."

Freshie No. I—"What makes the tower of Pisa lean?"

Freshie No. II—"The famine in the land."

——:o:——

Henry Glover, (in history)—"Sodom and Gomorrah are the two most famous volcanoes in Europe."

——:o:——

Hull—"Is that your Mother's signature?"

McG.—"As near as I could get to it, sir."

——:o:——

CLASS PLAYS

Freshmen—"Comedy of Errors."
Sophomore—"Much Ado About Nothing."
Junior—"As You Like It."
Senior—"All's Well That Ends Well."

——:o:——

EPITAPHS

A Senior

Deep wisdom—swelled head,
Brain fever—he's dead.

A Junior

False hair one—hope fled,
Heart broken—he's dead.

A Sophomore

Went Skating—bumped head,
Cracked skull—he's dead.

A Freshman

Milk famine—not fed,
Starvation—he's dead.

——:o:——

Miss Horrigan (To pupil moving his jaws in a suspicious manner)—"Will you kindly remove from your oral cavity all extraneous viscous substance, and begin to chew the cud of reflection?"

Sobs and groans from rear of the room.

It is requested that Day Bird (s) shouldn't fly at night, unless some provision be made to enable them to see when they have the right girl.

——:o:——

B. DeMosh (making candy)—"I want a spoon."

Bob—"All right, I'm game."

——:o:——

I spied her ' neath the mistletoe,
My heart went pit-a-pat;
I didn't kiss her. Why?
Because—she was the Maltese cat.

——:o:——

A toast—"Here's to our parents and our teachers;
May they never meet."

——:o:——

Tommy had a little tack,
Stuck it into Willie's back;
And replied when Bill objected,
"Never mind, it's disinfected." Ex.

——:o:——

Mame—"When I get to Heaven I'm going to ask Shapespeare if he wrote those plays that are credited to him."

J. C.—"But perhaps he won't be there,"

Marie—"Then you ask him for me."

——:o:——

Blessed are they that are ignorant;
For they are happy in thinking
That they know everything.

——:o:——

Miss Horrigan—"I want Guy to think that out on his feet."

——:o:——

Miss Kelly—"I have just finished writing a modern novel."

Lit Editor—"Does the heroine marry the hero?"

Miss K.—"Yes, indeed! A different one in each chapter."

——:o:——

Miss Roberts—"If there are any cavalrymen here they may come to the front. In other words, if you have any ponies, put them away."

HOW I$ THI$

How dear to my heart
I$ the ça$h of ubcription,
When generou$ ubcriber$
Pre$ent it to view.

But the one who won't pay
I refrain from de$cription,
For perhap$, gentle reader,
That one may be you.

——:o:——

"You understand," said the captain, "that we want a secretary who is thoroughly accustomed to managing men." "In that case," answered the applicant sadly, "I'm afraid it's not me you want, but my wife."

——:o:——

Quite matchless are her dark brown i i i
She talks with utmost e e e
And when I tell her she is y y y
She says that I'm a t t t
But when her pencil I would u u u
Her little hand I c c c
Quick from her cheeks the blushes oo oo oo
Her anger I a p p p.—Ex.

——:o:——

"A wise old owl lived in an oak,
The more he saw the less he spoke,
The less he spoke the more he heard;
Why can't we all be like that bird?"

——:o:——

Cheerful Mike

Two Irishmen occupied the same house, one of them living on the first floor and the other upstairs. Late one evening Tim hearing a commotion in the hall went out to see what the troble was. He found his friend had fallen down stairs.

"Did ye fall down, Michael?" he asked.

"I did," said Mike, "I fell down, but I was comin' down anyway."

——:o:——

Miss Horrigan—"I want everyone in this room to pick up the floor." Then wonders why everyone laughs.

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